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For: LATEX DISPERSIONS CONTAINING A HYDROXYL

FUNCTIONAL GROUP AND A CARBOXYLIC FUNCTIONAL GROUP

AND THEIR USE FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF COATINGS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111 and 1.121

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Communication dated December 02, 2003.

The Commissioner is hereby petitioned under 37 CFR §1.136(a) to grant a threemonth extension of time needed for timely response to the Office Action in the aboveidentified application, and the Commissioner is authorised to charge Deposit Account. No. 18-1171 the amount of \$950.00 to cover the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(a).

The Commissioner is hereby authorised to charge any payment associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-1171.

In this connection, the Commissioner is in particular hereby authorized to charge

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950 any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16, and